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US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER **FORM PTO-1390** (REV 01-2003) 125361 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/JP2004/004551 March 30, 2004 April 14, 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR PRODUCING SINGLE CRYSTAL APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US Ryoji HOSHI et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. \boxtimes This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include 3. items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. \square is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. [is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) 6. a. \square is attached hereto. b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). c. The International Application was filed in English. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) 7. a. \square are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 10. (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 11. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 12. 13. A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 14. 15. A substitute specification. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 16. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 17. 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. 20. Notice of Acceptance and Filing Receipt Status Request.

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ryoji HOSHI et al.

ATTN: Mail Stop PC

Application No.: 10/550,088

Docket No.: 125361

Filed: September 20, 2005

For:

METHOD FOR PRODUCING SINGLE CRYSTAL

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE AND FILING RECEIPT STATUS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-captioned patent application entered the National Phase on September 20, 2005. The 35 U.S.C. 371 requirements were completed on September 20, 2005.

The original Notification of Acceptance and Filing Receipt have not yet been received. It is respectfully requested that the original Notification of Acceptance and Filing Receipt be immediately forwarded to the attorneys of record at the address set forth below.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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